

Dunn, who on March 23, 1962, were married in the Everton Christian Church in Everton, Missouri, and are now celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Joe Bob and Rose Lynne were born and raised in rural Dade County, Missouri. They both grew up on farms and graduated from Everton R3 Public School, Joe Bob—Class of 1959, and Rose Lynne—Class of 1961. While in school they were high school sweethearts and I am proud to say that their love has stood the test of time.

After graduating, Joe Bob and Rose Lynne went to work in Springfield, Missouri. Joe Bob spent his career in the Producers Creamery plant, now known as Dairy Farmers of America, and retired in 1999. Rose worked as a secretary at Lily Tulip, Zenith Electronics, and retired Emeritus from Missouri State University in 2007.

Joe Bob and Rose Lynne have been blessed with a son, Scott, who lives in Springfield, Missouri. Scott and his wife Tobin have provided the light of Joe Bob and Rose Lynne's life, their grandsons Taylor and Jordan. They both actively enjoy cheering on their grandsons in their various team sports.

When they were not busy with their family, Joe Bob and Rose Lynne enjoy square dancing together. They were active members of the Frisco Square Dance Club and to date have attended 13 national conventions. They are currently members of the Christian Church and are loyal supporters of the Missouri State athletic teams. As a family they enjoy the great outdoors by traveling and camping.

These days, they relish their well-earned golden years in the retirement home, at the Island Green Golf Community in Republic, Missouri.

I am proud of Joe Bob and Rose Lynne and am honored to call them my neighbors in the 7th Congressional District of Missouri. I want to commemorate their 50th wedding anniversary and may God bless them with many more happy and loving years together.

HONORING SUNFLOWER-HUMPHREYS COUNTIES PROGRESS, INCORPORATED

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the community action agency, Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Incorporated. Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc. was founded in August 1965 and has locations throughout the Mississippi Delta. Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc. is dedicated to providing quality service to the community through diverse selections of programs that empower the community.

Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc. provides education and awareness about various educational and community development programs. As one of the organization's largest programs, the Sunflower Humphreys Head Start program promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through education, health, and nutritional services. Through the program's five Head Start sites and two school

districts, they serve 570 Head Start children. Their Early Head Start program is for low-income infants, toddlers, and pregnant women and their families. This program addresses children's physical, social, and emotional development as well as assists pregnant women in accessing comprehensive prenatal and postpartum care. In their four Early Head Start sites they serve 72 Early Head Start children and twelve pregnant women.

Since its inception in 1965 the Sunflower, Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc. has also worked to combat poverty for persons living below the poverty guidelines within Sunflower County, Mississippi. They have implemented a food pantry which distributes donated foods to those in need and a thrift shop that sells donated items for a very low price. They also have a Senior Companion Aging Program, which is a service initiative for people age 60 and older that provides not only meals, but also assistance and friendship to elderly individuals who are homebound.

Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in recognizing the Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress organization in its commitment to combating poverty by taking action in empowering the citizens of Sunflower and Humphreys Counties.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.
HENRY MADGWICK

HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to take a moment to honor the life of Mr. Henry Madgwick of Terrell, Texas. Henry, known to those closest to him as Harry, passed away on March 10, 2012.

Harry was born on May 16, 1923 in Hampshire, England to William Henry and Emma Mary Madgwick. At 16 years of age, Harry volunteered for Home Guard, which was a defense organization in the United Kingdom during World War II. Soon after joining the Home Guard, Harry was drafted into the Royal Air Force (RAF) as a cadet and at 17 years of age was made a squad leader in the Air Training Corps (ATC).

The Lend-Lease Act was signed into law by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on March 11, 1941. The President described the Lend-Lease Act as "helping to put out the fire in your neighbor's house before your own house caught fire and burned down." During World War II, thousands of British pilots learned to fly at six civilian training schools in the United States. The first and largest of the schools, known as the No. 1 British Flying Training School (BFTS), was in Terrell, Texas, located in Kaufman County. After the United States entered the war, American Aviation Cadets also trained at the school. More than 2,000 Royal Air Force and American Army Air Force pilots earned their wings in the skies over North Texas between 1941 and 1945 to help our nation achieve victory—including Harry, who arrived in 1944.

Harry met his soon-to-be wife, Kate Weatherford, in Terrell while training. Once the war ended and Harry was discharged from the military, he returned to Terrell and lived there for the rest of his life. Kate and Harry were

married for 47 years until her passing in 1993. In 1995, he remarried to Kate Marriot Sanders, a widow of another RAF pilot who was trained at the No. 1 BFTS in Terrell. She passed away in 2001.

Harry was a fixture in Terrell, having served as Mayor, Chairman of the Baseball Committee, Director of Terrell Youth Council, the Terrell Park Board, and countless other boards and committees in the community. In 1974, he was named the Terrell Rotary Club Citizen of the Year. Most notably, though, Harry could always be found working as the President of the BFTS Museum. The BFTS Museum, located at the site of the No. 1 BFTS, was dear to Harry's heart. He had a wealth of knowledge and passion for the BFTS and has left a historic legacy for not only the city of Terrell, but for two grateful nations.

On behalf of the citizens of Terrell and the Fifth District of Texas, I am honored to recognize the life of Mr. Henry Madgwick and recognize the lasting impact he had on the Terrell community and this country.

HONORING LENORE GOODFRIEND
ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Lenore Goodfriend on the occasion of her retirement from federal service. This week, Lenore will retire from her position with my office after over 20 years of public service. She is truly a remarkable person, having dedicated two decades to addressing the concerns of the many constituents in the 3rd Congressional District who contact my office on a daily basis, and someone I can call a friend to myself and my family.

I have been honored to know Lenore for many years beyond my time in Congress. Lenore is a compassionate and selfless public servant who has been active in her community in Oak Lawn and serves on the Johnson-Phelps VFW Post 5220 women's auxiliary. During her time in my office, she has helped countless members of the military with everything from dealing with the VA to obtaining medals they earned but never received. More than one constituent has remarked that her last name is no accident: she is truly a "good friend" to those in need of assistance.

Between balancing personal obligations and serving the public, Lenore is a true inspiration for her family, friends, and colleagues. I admire her strength and determination, and will miss her presence on my staff. I know Lenore will not be far away, I am sure I will be seeing her in the community, and I look forward to hearing about the next stage in her life's journey with her husband Dave, a veteran who served our nation in the Army.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Lenore Goodfriend on her many years of dedicated public service. May she enjoy her retirement to the fullest.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY TO THE
GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA

HON. JOE BARTON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. BARTON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am thrilled to congratulate the Girl Scouts of the USA on their 100th Anniversary.

With a mission to build, "girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place" the Girl Scouts have served over 50 million women in the United States.

From the first ever Girl Scout troop created in 1912, the Girl Scouts have sought to instill girls and young women with the ability to be both self-reliant and resourceful and I believe very few organizations have shown the capacity to foster leadership in our nation's girls like the Girl Scouts of the USA.

The Girl Scouts have proven themselves to be an organization of action. With a goal of fostering leadership, the statistics alone speak to the overwhelming success of the Girl Scouts. Over half of my female colleagues in both the House and the Senate were Girl Scouts and over half of all female business owners in the United States were former Girl Scouts. I have no doubt that many of the 2.3 million girls currently involved with this dynamic organization will continue to live out their call to "make the world a better place" through their leadership, and I look forward to seeing what the next generation of dedicated Girl Scouts will accomplish.

I am proud to join my colleagues in co-sponsoring H. Res. 460, Expressing support for designation of 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the USA.

RECOGNIZING THE LEGACY AND
ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF RUFUS
THOMAS, JR.

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the legacy and accomplishments of Rufus Thomas, Jr., one of the most charismatic and beloved performers of rhythm & blues, funk and soul music. Mr. Thomas was born in the tiny hamlet of Cayce, Mississippi on March 27, 1917 and moved to Memphis when he was two years old. He passed away in 2001 and would have turned 95 years of age this year. Before his passing, he had contributed significantly to the Memphis music scene and his legacy lives on through his daughter, singer Carla Thomas, and his son, keyboardist Marvell Thomas. In 1961, Carla Thomas' "Gee Whiz (Look at His Eyes)" charted within the Top 10 on the pop chart and within the Top 5 on the R&B chart. Marvell Thomas was keyboardist and arranger for such greats as The Staple Singers, Etta James and Albert King, and co-produced Isaac Hayes' album, "Hot Buttered Soul."

Entertaining people came naturally for Rufus. In his youth, Rufus earned pocket change by tap dancing on Beale Street. In his

teenage years, he performed with the Rabbit Foot Minstrels, a traveling vaudeville show, as a tap dancer. He comprised one-half of the comedy team known as Rufus and Bones with Robert "Bones" Couch. Throughout the 1940s and 1950s he hosted Amateur Night at the Palace Theatre, where he introduced young performers such as B.B. King, Bobby "Blue" Bland and countless others.

In the late 1940s, Memphis radio station WDIA AM emerged as the first radio station in the country to target black audiences with black DJs playing black-oriented programming. Rufus landed a job there in 1948 and soon became one of the station's most popular DJs. His 2-hour nighttime show, "Hoot and Holler" premiered and helped launch the careers of music icons such as Elvis Presley, Ike Turner, Isaac Hayes, Roscoe Gordon and Junior Parker. Rufus continued to be an on-air personality at WDIA, influencing musicians in the Memphis area for the next 40 years, while still creating and performing his own music.

Rufus played an indispensable role in the birth of Memphis' two great record companies, Sun Records and Stax Records. His 1953 single, "Bear Cat," an answer to Big Mama Thornton's then-popular record, "Hound Dog," became the first national hit for the upstart record label. In 1959, Rufus and his then-teenage daughter Carla became the first stars of the new Stax Records with their single, "Cause I Love You." Rufus would go on to release a string of popular songs for Stax, including favorites such as "Walking The Dog" (1964) and "Do The Funky Chicken" (1969). Throughout his career, Rufus appeared on the Billboard charts 29 times with the help of such singles as "Push and Pull" (1970) and "The Breakdown" (1971).

His life and seventy-year career were inextricably linked with the development of black entertainment in the 20th century and his work earned him an array of accolades. In January 1992, he was honored by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, named as an "Early Influence." That same year the Rhythm and Blues Foundation honored him with its prestigious Pioneer Award. In 1996, he was featured as a performer at the Olympic Games in Atlanta. For his 80th birthday in 1997, the city of Memphis renamed Hernando Street as Rufus Thomas Boulevard at the intersection of Beale Street where the Palace Theater once stood. In 1998, Rufus received an award from the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in recognition of his five decades of promoting black music on radio.

Off stage, Thomas was entirely serious about his work as an ambassador for Memphis and its music. In his characteristically forthright fashion, he told the journalist Richard Knight: "Memphis has made more of a contribution to music than any other one city in the whole world, and that includes New York." Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to join me in remembering the life and legacy of Rufus Thomas, Jr.

CONGRATULATING DR. JOHN HITT
FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE AS
PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Mr. WEBSTER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to congratulate Dr. John Hitt on his tremendous record of accomplishment as President of the University of Central Florida (UCF). This month marks Dr. Hitt's 20th year of service to UCF, and it gives me great pleasure to recognize Dr. Hitt's contributions to UCF and the Central Florida community.

Under Dr. Hitt's leadership, UCF has planned and won approval for a new college of medicine, doubled enrollment while enhancing the quality of academic offerings, exponentially increased the number of doctoral degrees awarded each year, and expanded research funding from \$6.2 million to more than \$121 million per year.

Before coming to UCF, Dr. Hitt held numerous posts as both faculty and executive leadership at academic institutions, including Assistant Professor of Psychology at Tulane University, Vice President of Texas Christian University Research Foundation, and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Bradley University.

Dr. Hitt's passion for education led him to UCF, where he arrived in March 1992. Since that time, he has been honored with many awards and recognitions, including Junior Achievement's Spirit of Achievement Award in 2008, Orlando Business Journal's inaugural Legacy Award in 2006, Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission James B. Greene award in 2002, and the Greater Orlando Chamber of Commerce's John Young Award in 2008.

It was a personal honor to work with Dr. Hitt while serving as a member of the Board of Trustees for UCF. Dr. Hitt's attitude of servant leadership and his dedication to quality education for UCF's students has been a testimony to his personal modesty and humility. Dr. Hitt is not only a great president for UCF, but he is a model for the University's students.

On behalf of the citizens of Central Florida, I congratulate and applaud Dr. Hitt on his 20th year of service as the president of the University of Central Florida. May his character, life, and efforts inspire others to follow in his footsteps.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON
THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
2013

SPEECH OF

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 28, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H. Con. Res. 112) establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.